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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Please enter the following response in the above-identified patent application.

REMARKS

This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on March 10, 2003. The Examiner issued a restriction requirement user 35 U.S.C. § 121, which requires applicant to elect one of the following groups of claims:

- Claims 65 to 68 and 116 to 117, drawn to a gaming device having a path, a fleeing and chasing element, a processor that causes the fleeing and chasing elements to move along the path, and the processor causing a speaker to generate a sound effect when the chasing element is within said predetermined proximity of the fleeing element classified in class 463, subclass 6.
- II. Claims 131-221, drawn to a gaming device having a target, a plurality of targets and non-targets, a processor for causing the selection, classified in class 463, subclass 20.

Applicant hereby elects Group II, Claims 131 to 221, without traverse, for examination on the merits. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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